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A method of estimating the pitch of a speech signal using an average distance between peaks, use of the method, and a device adapted therefor the specification of which: (mark only one) is attached hereto. X (a) as Application Serial No. was filed on and ____(b) was amended on _____ (if applicable) was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/ on ____(c) and was amended on _____ (if applicable). was filed on _____ as Application Serial No.____ and was issued ____ (d) a Notice of Allowance on and bearing attorney docket number was filed on ____(e)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above or as allowed as indicated above.

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